



# U.S. Department of Justice

## Office on Violence Against Women

### Outreach and Communications Division

Washington, D.C. 20531

#### GRANT NOTIFICATION

Grant Number: 2015-WH-AX-0013

Name & Address of Recipient: Womens Shelter Program Of San Luis Obispo County  
51 Zaca Lane  
Suite 150  
City, State & ZIP: San Luis Obispo, California 93401-7319

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Title of Program: Transitional Housing Assistance Program

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Amount of Award: \$ 465,243 Date of Award: 09/26/2018

Awarding Agency: Office on Violence Against Women  
Sharon Elliott

Supplement: 01

Statutory Authority for Program:  
34 U.S.C. § 12351 (OVW-Transitional Housing)

Impact/Focus: Discretionary CFDA Number: 16.736

#### Project Description:

The FY 2018 Transitional Housing Assistance Grants for Victims of Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking (Transitional Housing Assistance Program) is authorized by 34 U.S.C. 12351. The primary purpose of the Transitional Housing Assistance Program is to provide aid to victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking who are homeless, or in need of transitional housing or other housing assistance, including short-term housing assistance and supportive services; and for whom emergency shelter services or other crisis intervention services are unavailable or insufficient. The program supports holistic, victim-centered approaches to providing transitional housing services that move individuals into permanent housing. It is critical that successful transitional housing programs provide a wide range of flexible and optional services that reflect the differences and individual needs of victims and that allow victims to choose the course of action that is best for them.

The Women's Shelter Program of San Luis Obispo County, dba Stand Strong, is a non-profit organization located in San Luis Obispo, California, an urban region of the state. The organization will provide 10 clustered residences for 35 survivors and their families through program-owned housing units. The Women's Shelter Program of San Luis Obispo County will collaborate with its 4 partners, RISE San Luis Obispo County, the San Luis Obispo County District Attorney's Victim Witness Center, Housing Authority of San Luis Obispo, and People's Self Help Housing Corporation, to provide a holistic, victim-centered and multidisciplinary approach to transitional housing needs in the community.



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This continuation project will use funds to provide both housing and supportive services to move survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence or stalking, who are homeless to permanent housing. The project will assist clients for anticipated minimum of 6 months and a maximum length of 24 months. Services offered will also focus on meeting the needs of the underserved, immigrant, Hispanic, Deaf, disabled, women in the military, LEP, and LGBTQ populations in the region. The grant activities will then be tailored to meet the needs of the clients. The range of optional support services include: rental and utility assistance, case management, safety planning, childcare, transportation, career counseling, financial and credit counseling, support groups, job training, education attainment, limited legal assistance, and housing advocacy. The project will provide follow-up services for at least 3 months once permanent housing is secured.

The timing for performance of this supplemental award is 36 months.

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For more information about this grant, contact the Office on Violence Against Women at (202) 307-6026 and ask for the Outreach and Communications Division.